

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 054323

10

ORIGIN NEA-09

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CU-02 H-02 /014 R

DRAFTED BY NEA/INS:JNACH:MMK

APPROVED BY NEA/INS:DKUX

CU/NEA:EBARNES (SUBS)

H:KFOLGER

----- 129451

R 112037Z MAR 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 054323

E.O. 11652: N/A (DECONTROL 9/30/75)

TAGS: OXEC, IN

SUBJECT: EXCHANGE PROGRAM -- CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN
DENIAL OF INDIAN VISA TO AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

1. SENATOR SCOTT WROTE DEPARTMENT IN OCTOBER ASKING US
TO FIND OUT REASON GOI REFUSED VISA TO MS. JOAN KUTCHER
OF PHILADELPHIA. MS. KUTCHER HAD BEEN AWARDED A
JANUARY 1974 SMITHSONIAN FELLOWSHIP TO GO TO INDIA AND
TRANSLATE FROM THE TIBETAN THE BIOGRAPHY OF THE FIRST
DALAI LAMA.

2. INDIAN EMBASSY HAS REPLIED TO OUR REPEATED INQUIRIES
BY SAYING THAT VISA WAS "PROBABLY" TURNED DOWN BY HOME
MINISTRY BECAUSE MS. KUTCHER'S PROJECT WOULD HAVE INVOLVED
RESEARCH IN A SENSITIVE AREA, THE TIBETAN EXILE COMMUNITY.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY'S TRYING TO ASCERTAIN
IF, INDEED, KUTCHER WAS DENIED VISA BECAUSE OF GOI
SENSITIVITIES ON TIBETANS. WE DO NOT KNOW MONTH
VISA WAS DENIED BUT SUSPECT APPROXIMATE TIME WAS MID-1974.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 054323

4. MS. KUTCHER HAS EVIDENTLY ABANDONED PLANNED RESEARCH

PROJECT; THEREFORE, ONLY REQUIREMENT IS FOR INFORMATION
WITH WHICH TO ANSWER SENATOR SCOTT'S INQUIRY. INGERSOLL

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 11 MAR 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: CunninFX
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975STATE054323
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: JNACH:MMK
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750086-0005
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750361/aaaacdcq.tel
Line Count: 64
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN NEA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: CunninFX
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 04 AUG 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <04 AUG 2003 by ShawDG>; APPROVED <24 NOV 2003 by CunninFX>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: EXCHANGE PROGRAM -- CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN DENIAL OF INDIAN VISA TO AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT
TAGS: OEXC, IN
To: NEW DELHI
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006